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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bennett et al**Application No.:** 09/921,167**Filed:** 8/02/2001**Title:** Method and apparatus for a network
independent short message delivery system**Attorney Docket No.:** 056450/0119019

Group Art Unit: 2154**Examiner:** Clark, Isaac R.

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**Dear Sir:**

In response to the Office Action mailed December 10, 2004, the Applicants
submit the following:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the replacement paragraphs that begin
on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of
this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.